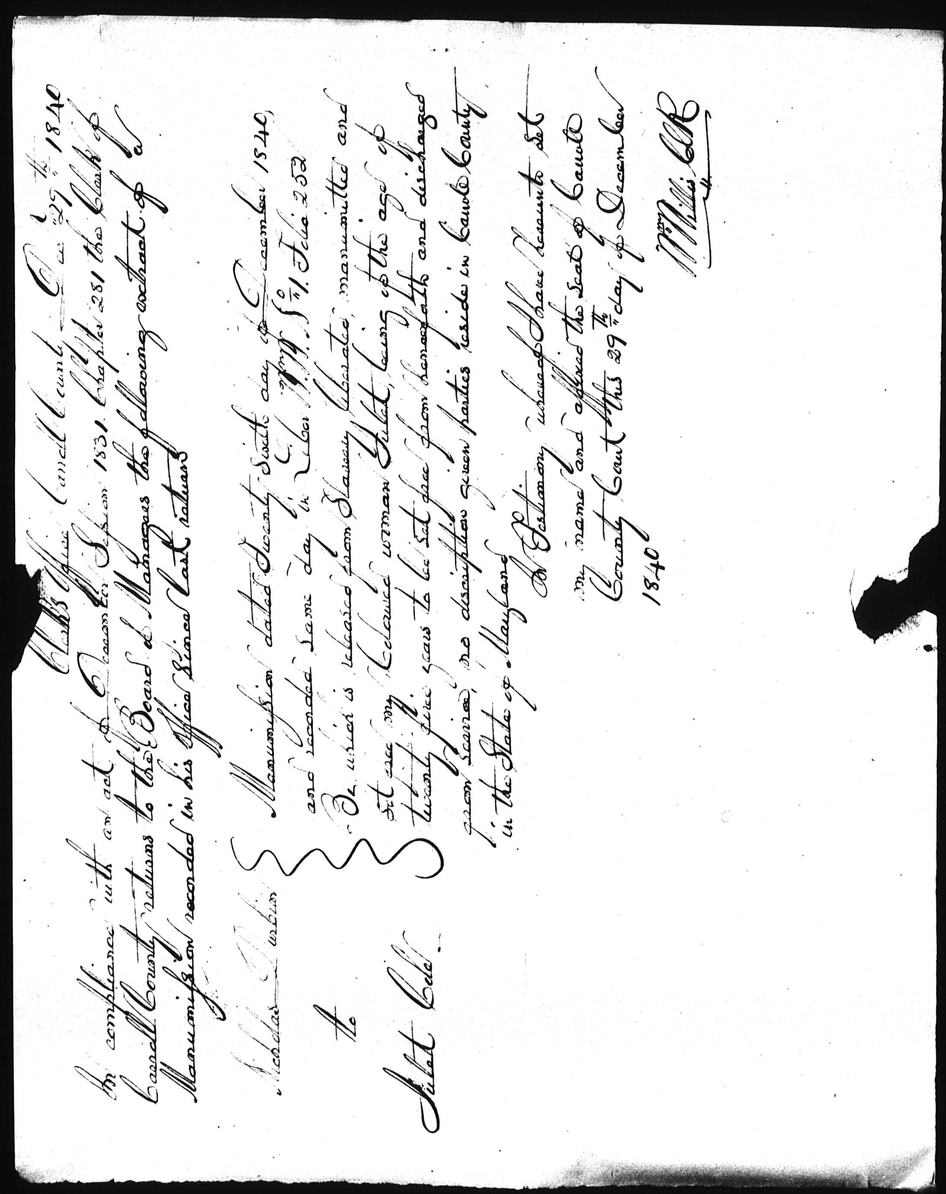

To all whom it may concern, be it known that I, Thomas Keller of Washington County in the State of Maryland, for divers good causes and considerations me thereunto moving, as also in further consideration of one dollar, current money, to me in hand paid, have released from slavery, liberated, manumitted and set free, and by these presents do hereby release from slavery, liberate, manumit and set free my negro man named Abraham Sindsy being of the age of forty three (or thereabout) years, and able to work and gain a sufficient livelihood and maintenance, and him the said Negro man, named Abraham Sindsy I do declare to be henceforth free, manumitted and discharged from all manner of servitude or service to me, my executors, or administrators forever. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 29th day of December in the year of our Lord 1840.

Signed, Sealed and delivered in the presence of us
W. Weber. Chs. Hestetine

Thos. Keller (Seal)

Washington County ss: Be it remembered that on this 29th. day of December personally appears Thomas Keller party to the within instrument of writing before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland for the said County, and acknowledges the same to be his Act and deed for the purposes therein mentioned, and the Negro man within named to be henceforth manumitted and discharged from all services to him or to any claiming under him and to be free and manumitted according to the Act of Assembly in such cases made and provided.

Acknowledged before
Chs. Hestetine.

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